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1. VEB Farben-Fabrik Wolfen has an urgent need for additional quantities of resorcinol (Resorcin), an important raw material for the production of glass bulb rectifiers (Glaskolbgleichrichtern).

2. The present resorcinol stock at this plant barely suffices for Wolfen's own requirements. In the event that no additional supplies of resorcinol from Western countries are made available to the enterprise promptly, Wolfen's production of synthetic fiber for East Germany's textile industry will be seriously threatened.

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3. Wolfen therefore requested DIA-Chemie, at the end of May 1955, to procure ten tons of resorcinol from Western countries as soon as possible. The DIA refused to accept an order for that quantity, but will attempt to procure two tons from Western suppliers.

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